## Remarks

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on January 12, 2005. In the Office Action, election was required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to one of the following species:

- Species I using an activity sensor;
- Species II using a minute volume sensor;
- Species III using a QT interval sensor, and
- Species IV using an intrinsic atrial rate.

The Office Action also notes that claim 1 is generic to all recited species.

Applicants respectfully elect Species I including claims 1-4 and 8-11 for examination. In addition, Applicants respectfully request consideration and allowance of non-elected claims 5-7 in accordance with 37 CFR 1.141 upon allowance of a generic claim.

Favorable consideration in the form of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. Please contact the undersigned attorney with any questions regarding this application.

Respectfully submitted,
MERCHANT & GOULD P.C.
P.O. Box 2903
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-0903
(612) 332-5300

Date: Feb. 7, 2005

Name: Robert A. Kalinsky

Reg. No.: 50,471

RAK